

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

INDIANAPOLIS

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 8, 1988

TO: Pollution Control Industries of America  
RCRA File  
IND 000646933, East Chicago, Lake County

THRU: Dave Berrey *pub*

FROM: Ted Warner *TW*  
Compliance Monitoring Section

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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SUBJECT: Trip Report for the Scheduled Inspection of  
March 9, 1988

On March 9, 1988, I conducted an interim status scheduled inspection of Pollution Control Industries of America (PCIA) located at 4343 Kennedy Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana. The facility was represented by Mr. Kevin Prunsky and Ms. Tita Lagrimas.

Preinspection File Audit

My preinspection file audit revealed that PCIA has notified and is operating as a transporter and treatment, storage facility for hazardous waste and hazardous waste derived fuels. Their process codes notification is for container storage (S01), tank storage (S02), tank treatment (T01), and blending (T04). The wastes they will be handling are (D001, F003, F004, F005, K049, and K051). At the time of this report PCIA is formally requesting approval to manage additional waste streams. Our Plan Review and Permit Section has not acted on this matter. PCIA holds no landfill waste approvals and there are no closed units at the site. The last inspection of this facility was on September 28, 1987. As a result of that inspection, a Warning Letter was issued. As of this date, that action has not been formally resolved although my inspection of this date reveals compliance with the request from our September 28, 1987, Notice of Violation.

Inspection Findings

My inspection included a record and document review with a complete tour of the facility. All of PCIA's records appeared to be in order. My tour of the facility revealed significant changes and improvements compared to my last tour. PCIA is close to completing double lining for all of their waste management units and associated plumbing. The double liners consist of six-inches of concrete, a 6-mill synthetic liner, and eight additional inches of concrete. Area 3, the container storage area, had 275, 55-gallon containers in storage. The storage tanks had 49,800-gallons of hazardous waste in storage. I did not note any violations during my tour of the site.

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Conclusions and Recommendations

PCIA appears to be in compliance with state and federal hazardous waste management regulations. Therefore, I will prepare a Letter of compliance for Mr. Jim Hunt's consideration.

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Visual Site Inspection  
Solid Waste Management Unit  
Description Form

UNIT CHARACTERISTICS: Area I

Type of Unit- Storage tanks, 4 10,000 gallon each

Age of Unit- 1 year

Location of Unit- North of the office 300 feet

General Physical Condition of Unit- Good condition

Type of Wastes Placed In Unit- Liquid solvent type wastes

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Possible Migration Pathways from this Unit- Air, groundwater

Observed Releases from Unit (describe)-

None

Proximity to Nearest Residence, Waterway, or other Exposure Potential-

300 feet from the office building and 150 feet from the maintenance building

Comments -

Possible migration by groundwater is very slight

Visual Site Inspection  
Solid Waste Management Unit  
Description Form

UNIT CHARACTERISTICS: Area II

Type of Unit- Storage tanks, 2, 30,000 gallons each

Age of Unit- 1 year

Location of Unit- East of the office 375 feet

General Physical Condition of Unit- Good condition

Type of Wastes Placed In Unit- Liquid solvent wastes

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Possible Migration Pathways from this Unit- Air, groundwater

Observed Releases from Unit (describe)-

None

Proximity to Nearest Residence, Waterway, or other Exposure Potential-

Approximately 180 feet from the maintenance building and 375 feet from the office

Comments-

Migration from groundwater is very slim

Visual Site Inspection  
Solid Waste Management Unit  
Description Form

UNIT CHARACTERISTICS: Area III

Type of Unit- Drum storage area

Age of Unit- 1 year

Location of Unit- 150 feet southeast of maintenance building

General Physical Condition of Unit- Good condition

Type of Wastes Placed In Unit-

Drummed wastes, chiefly solvents, some solid wastes

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Possible Migration Pathways from this Unit- Air, groundwater

Observed Releases from Unit (describe)-

None

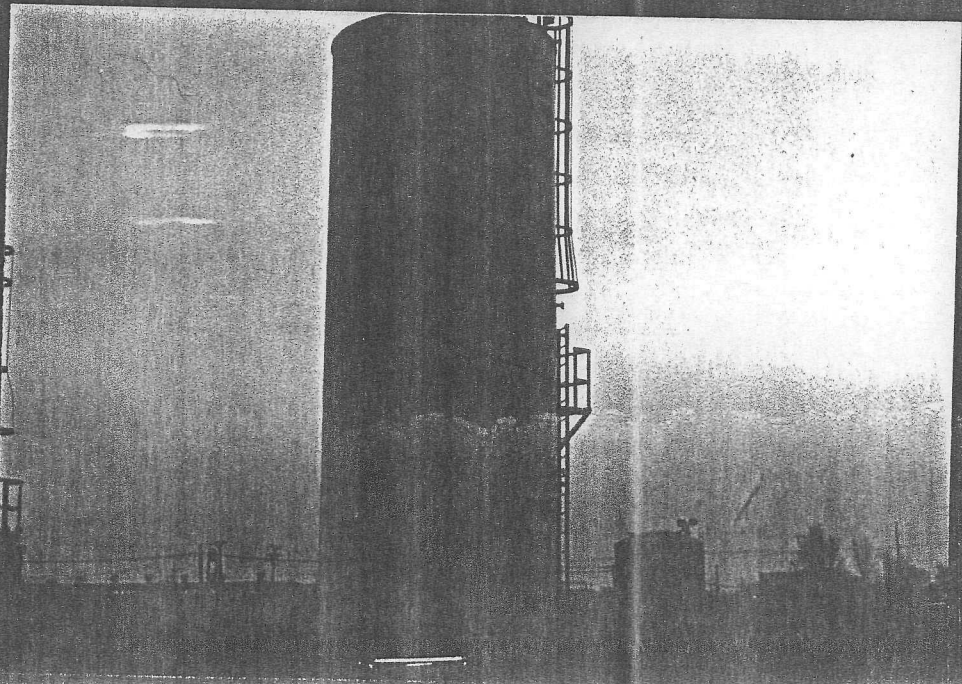
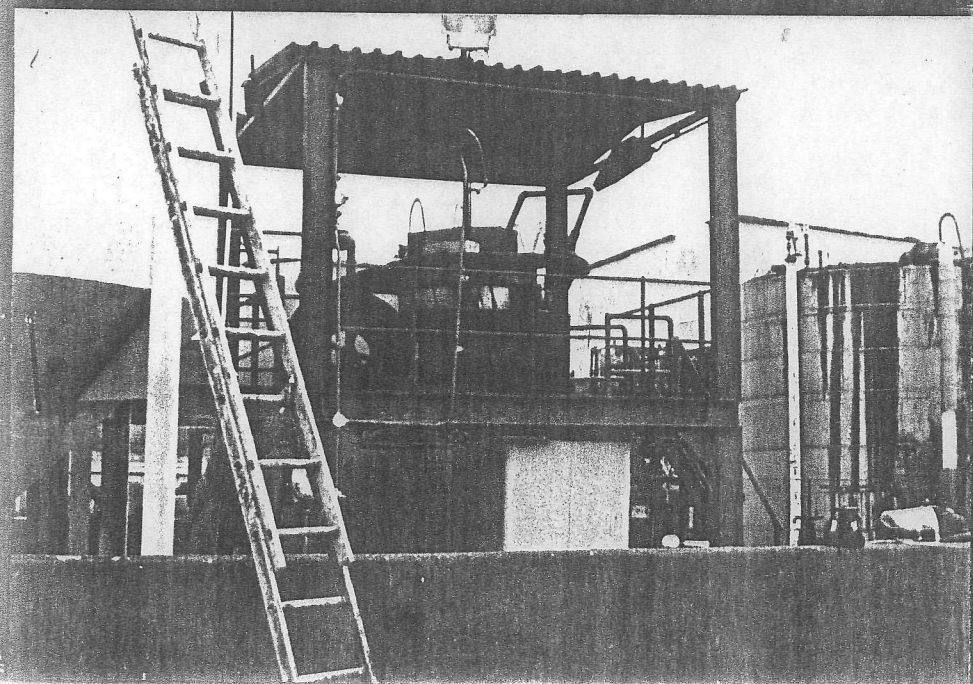
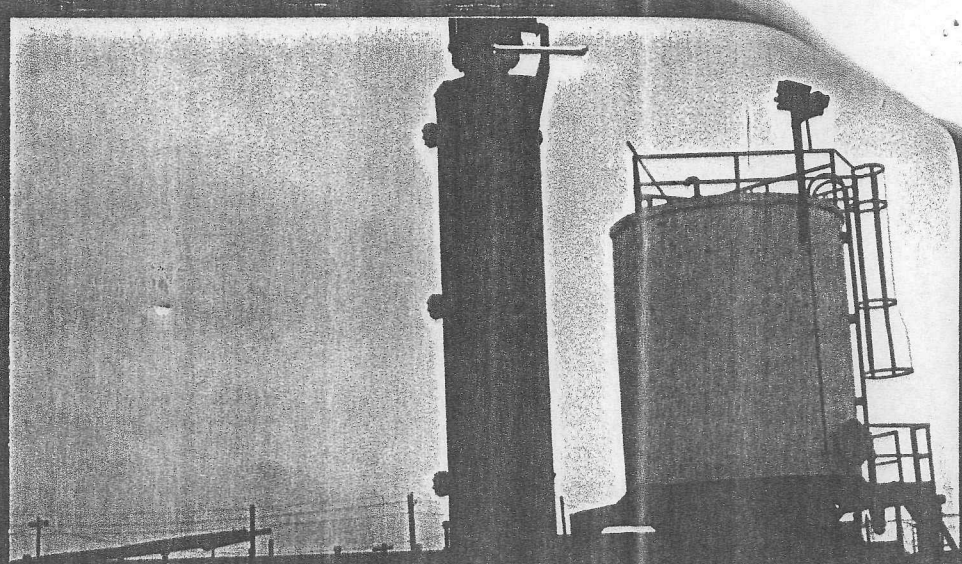
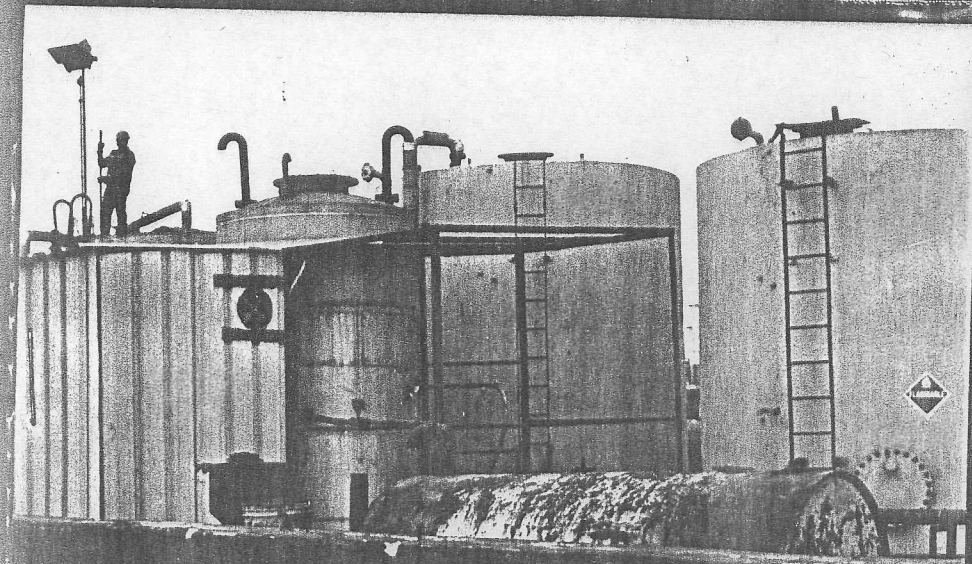
Proximity to Nearest Residence, Waterway, or other Exposure Potential-

150 feet southwest of maintenance building

Comments -

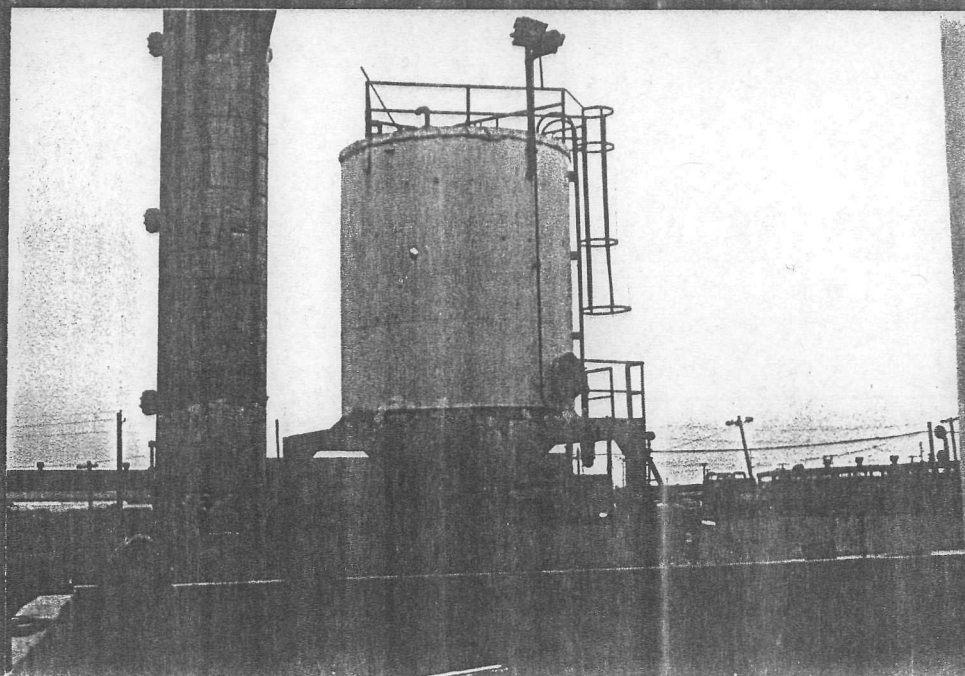
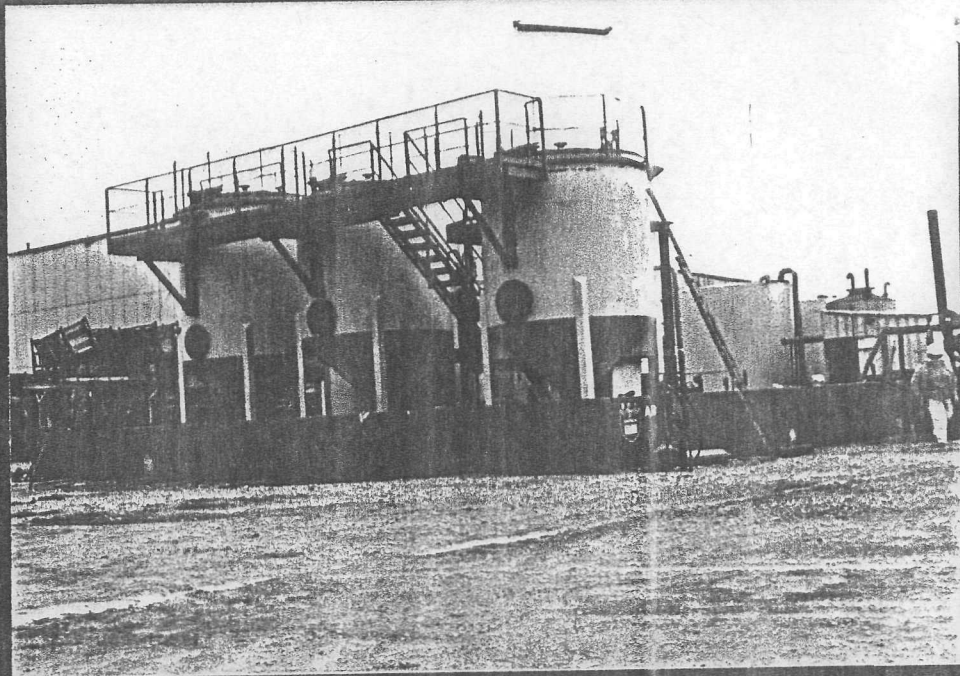
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